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RESPONSE TO ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT & AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the May 16, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-20 are pending, with claims 1 and 11 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

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				SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL 20	- 20	=	0	x09 =	$	x18 =	$
INDEP 2	- 3	=	0	x42 =	$	x84 =	$
[ ] 1ST PRESENTATION OF MULT. DEP. CLAIM				+140 =	$	+280 =	$
				TOTAL	$	TOTAL	$

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